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This communication hereby asserts that the above-identified patent application has been entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 since the time of its filing.

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